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Via Electronic Mail to r9foia@epa.gov Regional Freedom of Information Officer U.S. EPA, Region 9 75 Hawthorne Street (OPA-2) San Francisco, CA 94105 (415) 947-4251 November 11, 2015

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am writing to request that the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") provide the records described below:

1. Any documents related to water quality or water contamination at the Pine Prarie Correctional Facility in Louisiana.

As FOIA requires, please release all reasonably segregable nonexempt portions of documents. If all or part of the request is denied, please provide the name, address, and telephone number of the agency official responsible for the denial, and the official responsible for the appeals of denied requests. I reserve my right to appeal the withholding or deletion of any information.

In addition, if records are withheld, I request that you specifically identify those records by providing a list of records being withheld with an accompanying explanation of the exemptions being used to withhold the requested records. This list should include the title and brief description of each of the withheld records, any date or dates associated with each of the withheld records, and a list of attachments, appendices, amendments or other materials included with each of the withheld records.

If your search fails to identify the requested records, I ask that you (1) describe in detail the search procedure, including the information about the files that were searched, (2) identify the person or persons who conducted the search, and (3) explain why a more comprehensive search of your offices would be unreasonable.

In order to help to determine my status to assess fees, you should know that I am a private citizen and this request is made in the public interest, in particular in the interest of the complete execution of all applicable laws for the protection of human health and the environment and open government. This request is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations or activities of the government and is not primarily in my commercial interest. For these reasons, I request a waiver of any and all costs associated with the satisfaction of this request. Please advise me of any informational or other procedural requirements that you may have in order for this request to qualify for a fee waiver. If you are unable to provide a fee waiver, please notify me immediately of any payment required.

I am requesting electronic copies of any of the above-referenced documents. If electronic copies cannot be provided, I intend to bring a scanner to the inspection location to create electronic copies of the documents. In that case, I would like to arrange a mutually convenient day to scan these documents within 10 days of your receipt of this request.

If you have questions, please contact me at williammost@gmail.com or (650) 465-5023.

Sincerely,

William Most